

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
RAILWAYS  
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:3329  
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PUBLIC- PRIVATE PARTNERSHIP  
Jindal Shri Naveen

**Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:**

- (a) whether it is proposed to attract greater domestic investment for expansion of rail services;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether there is any scheme to outsource some of the railway services for better competition; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?

**Answer**

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS ( SHRIR. VELU )

(a): Yes, Sir.

(b): Ministry of Railways had formed joint ventures in participation with State Governments for implementation of rail infrastructure projects in Maharashtra, Karnataka and Gujarat. Further, Rail Vikas Nigam Limited (RVNL) is entrusted with implementation of certain port connectivity projects through Special Purpose Vehicles.

(c) & (d): Several Schemes such as Wagon Investment Scheme, running of container trains and luxury tourist trains, etc. aimed at involving private participation in Railway projects have been launched.